

Arizona State Retirement System

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Fact Sheet

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INVESTMENT RETURNS

The Arizona State Retirement System employs a broad-based, long-term asset allocation strategy designed to produce a steady return over time. The ASRS Board of Trustees has set the following asset allocation mix: 53 percent in U.S. stocks; 26 percent in fixed income, or bonds; 15 percent in international equities, and 6 percent in real estate.

Below are rates of return on the overall portfolio, as well as specific asset classes, along with the benchmarks used to compare performance. (Real estate is a newly-approved class with actual investments pending.)

Annualized Rates of Return for Calendar Year 2004

	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
ASRS Total Fund	11.5%	6.9%	2.4%	10.8%
ASRS U.S. Equity	12.9%	5.1%	(0.3%)	12.7%
S&P 500 Index	10.9%	3.6%	(2.3%)	12.1%
ASRS U.S. Fixed Income	4.5%	6.2%	7.8%	8.0%
Lehman Aggregate Index	4.3%	6.2%	7.7%	7.7%
ASRS International Equity	18.9%	11.9%	0.8%	7.8%
EAFE Index	20.7%	12.3%	(0.8%)	3.9%

Fiscal Year Annualized Rates of Return

Fiscal Year	Return	
2003-04	17.5%	
2002-03	2.4%	
2001-02	(8.2%)	
2000-01	(6.7%)	
1999-00	10.0%	
1998-99	16.8%	
1997-98	21.3%	
1996-97	20.6%	
1995-96	16.7%	
1994-95	17.8%	
1993-94	1.9%	
1992-93	16.7%	

Fiscal Year	Return
1991-92	14.6%
1990-91	8.0%
1989-90	9.5%
1988-89	14.3%
1987-88	3.1%
1986-87	11.8%
1985-86	31.5%
1984-85	32.1%
1983-84	(5.2%)
1982-83	40.3%
1981-82	2.4%
1980-81	5.0%